

Fire To Have No Chance At Stephens College.



The Fire Brigade at Stephens College. This Photograph was Recently Published in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Laundry Late? 20-Year Service Beginning to Tell On "Joe"

People who swear when their laundry doesn't come just on time and wonder why that package they ought to have gotten hasn't arrived, probably don't know "Joe" and the troubles he has getting it there. Joe is the big brown horse that pulls the parcel post wagon all through the south part of Columbia. His master, L. T. Hagan, says that Joe has been working on Columbia streets nearly all his life and that his twenty years of service are beginning to tell on him.

Joe was originally the property of the local telephone company but when the parcel post system was formed, Joe deserted and entered the government service. Since that time he has pulled the green wagon many miles over Columbia streets.

The route that Joe and Mr. Hagan cover every day is so long and the mail is so heavy that it has to be divided into two trips. With packages, about a half of which are laundry for students, Joe starts his trip through the residence district. The load is heavy at first but gets lighter as the trip progresses. The brown horse knows the traffic rules even better than some of the others that travel the streets and seldom does he get from his place along the right side. He knows

the route as well as his master and goes his way, stopping while packages are being delivered and needing only an occasional word to keep him on the right path.

The route that Joe and Hagan cover every day is almost twenty miles long, and often it is late in the evening when the last package is delivered. One day last Thanksgiving time three trips were made from the postoffice and even then at night a few packages remained undelivered.

Added to the distance that the two travel each day is the two miles back and forth from home at morning and night. Hagan lives out in the country two miles from Columbia and that adds steps to every day.

"Joe knows the route about as well as I do," said Mr. Hagan. "He never gets frightened at things and seems to know how to keep out of the way of other vehicles. He's gentle too, and the children at home play with him just as if he was a big dog."

"I've never known him to run away once in a while late in the evening when I leave him standing outside a store. He walks on down the street towards home. But then that just shows that he's really intelligent enough to know when dinner-time comes."

UNIVERSITY NEWS

Miss Helen Challis went to St. Louis today for the Easter holidays.

Miss Thelma Mullen went to Kansas City yesterday to spend the week-end.

K. P. Vanice left yesterday for Kansas City to spend the week-end.

S. D. Gruner went to Bonville yesterday.

Miss Lucille Forshey left yesterday for her home in Montgomery City.

Miss June Forshey will spend the week-end at her home in St. Louis.

Gunner Simpson left for St. Louis yesterday.

Sergeant Leeton left yesterday for a short business trip to St. Louis.

Miss Ruth McCoy left yesterday for a visit at her home in Sikeston.

Miss Joan Logan left today for a visit in Kansas City.

Leslie Allen left yesterday for Grove, Okla., where he will spend the week-end.

Edward Lancaster left yesterday for a visit to his home in Webster Groves.

U. G. Sanderson went to St. Louis yesterday.

Miss Ruth Hammond of Stephens College left yesterday for Jefferson City to spend the Easter holidays.

Miss Juliet Price of Jefferson City arrived today to be a guest at the Pi Beta Phi house.

Miss Anne Hayes left yesterday to spend the week-end at her home in Salisbury.

Miss Augusta Rembert, who has been visiting Mrs. Lloyd Jones, returned yesterday to her home in Columbia, S. C.

Miss Mary Lee Simpson left yesterday for a visit with her parents in Charleston.

Miss Gladys Fife went to Armstrong yesterday where she will spend the week-end.

Miss Virginia Luper will spend the Easter holidays at her home in Blackburn.

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NEWS OF THE STATE

Work will be started at Linwood College immediately after the Easter vacation on a new athletic field. Construction of the field will cost about \$5,000. It will provide facilities for all kinds of outdoor exercise.

Cloudy weather saved the Ozark fruit crop from damage and relieved the farmers from the necessity of burning smudge pots. The last few days the temperature has been two degrees above the freezing point.

St. Louis union painters, paper hangers and decorators were locked out yesterday because of their refusal to accept a cut of 20 per cent in their pay. They offered a counter proposal to their employers, that the men would submit to the wage slash whenever three of the five basic trades in the building industry put similar cuts into effect. Agreement was finally reached whereby practically 80 per cent of the men started back to work under the open shop plan.

The Second Annual Convention of the Threshermen's Association will be held in Moberly March 29 to 31. The purpose of the convention is to plan co-operative measures for more efficient and quicker threshing of the grain crop in Missouri.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the United Hebrew Temple of St. Louis will present a pageant entitled "A Melting Pot" at

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MISSOURI HEN EXCELS OWN LAYING RECORD

Farmer's Average Profit Over Feed Costs for January Was \$30.70—Only \$6.30 in 1918.

HEAVIER FEEDING PAYS

Many Poultry Keepers Have Entered Contest and Are Breeding Birds for Certification.

Missouri farm poultry keepers have learned the secret of making their hens lay the mythical golden egg or one as good as gold—and in winter weather too, if the January reports are indicators. Records for this month show that the egg production has more than doubled since January, 1918. The 36,663 hens on 223 farms that are members of the Missouri farm flock laying contest laid during last January 249,576 eggs, which sold for a total of \$11,068.68, or an average of \$49.63 for each farm. The average hen, in other words, has exceeded six eggs in production, which is two eggs more than the record for any previous January.

Not only was the production higher in January, 1921, than in any of the previous contest years, but the profits were also materially larger, according to the reports. The 1921 profit on the average farm over feed costs was \$30.70, compared with \$6.30 in 1918, an increase of 470 per cent. A comparison of the feed cost for each dozen eggs shows that this varied from 47.3 cents in 1918 to 20.4 cents in 1921, while the profit over feed cost on each dozen eggs increased from 13.3 cents in 1918 to 33 cents in 1921. The selling price for eggs from the flocks in this contest varied from 60.6 cents a dozen in 1918 when prices were all at top mark, to 43.4 cents in 1921. However, the profit for the various years shows a steady increase. The feed cost for each hen shows less variation. In 1918 it cost 12.6 cents to keep each hen during January; in 1921, 11.5 cents. Records show that the farmers are feeding hens more heavily than in the past and are feeding more of the expensive animal proteins during the winter months.

This tends to hold up the cost of feeding each bird, in spite of the great drop in feed prices. However, a glance at the profits during the different years indicates that this heavier feeding is fully justified. Seventy-seven Missouri poultry keepers are producing birds that will be eligible for certification next fall. The hens in these breeding flocks are all standard bred, according to the extension poultry specialist that examined them. They were selected during September and October

as the highest producing birds in the entire flock. These flocks are located in thirty-three different counties and represent nine different varieties. Most of the flocks are White Leghorns. Barred Rocks rank second in number and Rhode Island Reds third. At least eight of the men and women who are co-operating in the demonstration farm flock project with the University are trapping their chicks this year and will pedigree the flocks from their best birds, according to T. S. Townsley, extension poultry specialist. In addition to this, four well known Missouri poultry breeders who had hens in the Mountain Grover contest, which made a record of more than 200 eggs, have agreed to pedigree the chicks from these hens so as to make a large number of pedigreed birds available.

Pedigreeing requires that the eggs from each hen be placed in separate bags or trays in the incubator and that the chicks must be marked as soon as they are hatched so that records will always be available to show just what the parentage was. The most common way of marking pedigreed chicks is by the pigeon leg band, which is placed on the chick at hatching and later transferred from the leg to the wing, where it remains as a permanent mark.

Christian College Notes

Miss Lillian Green went to Sturgeon yesterday to spend Easter.

Miss Ann Ligoun will spend her Easter vacation in Moberly.

Miss Gladys Carpenter and Miss Emma May Roberts will spend the week-end with Miss Rosalia Morton in Smithville.

Edgar D. Lee, president of Christian College, left yesterday for Carrollton on business.

Easter vacation for the senior class of Christian College began Wednesday afternoon. Classes will begin Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock. A number of girls will spend the week-end at home.

VETERANS WILL ORGANIZE

Commander to Establish Department at State Meeting.

Robert C. Woodside, of Pittsburgh, Pa., commander-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, will arrive in Kansas City April 12 to organize departments of the organization in Missouri. There are twenty departments of the organization.

The organization meetings will close April 14. A large number of members are expected to attend. Three men have been mentioned for state commander of Missouri: Robert E. Kernodle, Fred Windsor and W. A. Feigel.

ALL CHILDREN INVITED

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist Church invite all children under 10 years of age to join in the Easter egg hunt. Come find the golden egg and rabbits. Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Stephens College Campus. Admission 15c. Adv.

Easter This Year Comes On One of the Earliest Dates Possible

Dorothea Spinney, who read "Iphigenia in Taurus" in the University Auditorium Friday night, has theories of her own as to the cultivation of the taste of the public for plays of the first order.

"If one takes his children to only the best plays, picking the plays without letting the children know it is being done, their tastes are cultivated for that type of entertainment," said Miss Spinney. "Later, if they go to the second-rate play, they don't like it."

Miss Spinney never saw a play until she was 17 years old, and that was "Richard II." At nine, in the nursery, she played the ghost in "Hamlet," not because she wasn't a normal child, she says, but simply because she didn't know anyone else wrote plays except Shakespeare; and it was only natural that she should act his plays. Our youngsters go to a movie and see a robbery, come home and with a toy gun act things of the same nature, is the belief of the artist.

Miss Spinney not only designs, plans, sews and dyes her own costumes, but is her own business manager as well, attending to her advance notices. Her stage settings are all her own. The candle sticks which she used Friday evening and her other properties, she makes. They are all constructed to fit in her specially constructed trunk. Miss Spinney chooses the colors of her costumes after reading the play and determining the character she is to portray.

For example, in one of the plays she interprets she dresses in purple bordered with black, to indicate mourning. As Medea, the daughter of the sun, she wears a deep red gown, the hem of which is deep orange and shades into lighter colors.

The advantage of such a play without properties and with but one character is that it develops imagination, is Miss Spinney's opinion.

"I don't make use of play," says Miss Spinney. "My audience does, for they fill in my suggestions. After seeing performances of this kind, no one will think in the way he formerly did."

Fillinger, who toured years ago with Brahms and Joachim, the violinist, and to whom Brahms dedicated many of his

compositions, trained Miss Spinney's voice. Her education began at the age of 3. Miss Spinney lived in Stratford-on-Avon, next door to the church in which Shakespeare was buried, with Mrs. Charles Flower. Mrs. Flower is the woman who gave the theater in which Shakespeare's plays are acted. She is also one of those principally responsible for the restoration of the city, and has done much for Stratford. There, in the center of the life and literature of England, Miss Spinney received some of the inspiration which she puts into her reading of "Hamlet," in which she takes the principal role.

Dorothea Spinney will return for a tour of America in November and October of 1922.

Stephens College Notes

Mrs. A. B. Chapman, chaperon at the Sigma Iota Chi house, went to Keyesville yesterday.

Miss Ruth Goodsmith, instructor in piano and harmony, left yesterday for Lincoln, Neb., to spend Easter.

Roy T. Davis, secretary of Stephens

College, left yesterday afternoon for Kansas City to attend to business connected with the college.

Miss Helen Schlegel will spend Easter vacation in Bloomfield, Ia.

Miss Lucille Smith went to Cambridge yesterday.

Miss Blanche McComas left yesterday for her home in Liberty to spend Easter vacation.

Miss Nadine Nicholson went to Moberly City yesterday.

Miss Price Rowland left yesterday for her home in Moberly to spend Easter.

Miss Helen L. Green went to Kansas City yesterday.

Women Plan for Farmers' Fair. Plans for floats, exhibits and work for Farmers' Fair were discussed at the meeting of the Women's Ag. Club Wednesday night in the Agricultural Building.

All the students of Stephens College who stayed in Columbia for the Easter holidays will go on a picnic tomorrow noon.

About 30 of the students of Stephens College who remained in Columbia during the Easter holidays, left this morning for Jefferson City to visit the penitentiary and State Capitol. They were escorted by Miss Myrtle LeCompte.



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